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VIGOP (VIRGIN ISLANDS REPUBLICAN
PARTY)
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Response Due Date
11/07/2016

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00553560

REFERENCE: AUGUST MONTHLY REPORT (07/01/2016 - 07/31/2016)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 5 item(s):

1. Schedule A of your report (see attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. Please be advised that 52 U.S.C. §30116(f) (formerly 2 U.S.C. §441a(f)) and 11 CFR §§110.1(d) and 110.2(d) prohibit a committee and its affiliates from receiving any contribution from another political committee or person in excess of \$5,000 per calendar year.

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you must amend your original report with the clarifying information.

If any contribution you received exceeds the limits, you may have to refund the excessive amount. The funds can be retained if within 60 days of receipt, (1) the excessive amount was properly reattributed to another person, such as a joint account holder, by obtaining signed written authorizations from each person making the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR 110.1(k)(3), and (2) the treasurer informs the person making the contribution that he or she may request the return of the excessive portion of the contribution if it is not intended to be a joint contribution. Any request from a donor for a refund must be honored.

Alternatively, the funds can be retained if within 60 days of receipt you (1)

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transferred the excessive amount to an account not used to influence federal elections, and (2) provided written notice to the person making the contribution of the option of receiving a refund. Any request from a donor for a refund must be honored.

If the foregoing conditions for reattributions or transfers to a non-federal account were not met within 60 days of receipt, the excessive amount must be refunded.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action promptly in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for any transfer-out or refund. In addition, any reattributions should be reported as memo entries on Schedule A of the report covering the period during which the authorization for the reattribution is received. Any transfers-out or refunds should be disclosed on Schedule B supporting Line 22 or 28 of the report during which the transaction was made.

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the acceptance of an excessive contribution(s), prompt action by your committee to seek reattribution, transfer-out or refund the excessive amount will be taken into consideration.

2. Schedule B of your report discloses reimbursements to individuals for "EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT." Please be advised that when itemizing reimbursements to individuals for goods or services, if the payment to the original vendor aggregates in excess of \$200 in a calendar year, a memo entry including the name and address of the original vendor, as well as the date, amount and purpose of the original purchase must be provided. Please amend your report to include the missing information and clearly identify on the Schedule B, which reimbursement each memo entry relates to. If itemization is not necessary, you must indicate so in an amendment to this report. 11 CFR § §104.3(b)(3)(i) and 104.9, and Advisory Opinions 1992-1 and 1996-20, footnote 3

3. Your committee has filed a 48 hour report for an independent expenditure opposing HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON (see attached) which has not been itemized on Schedule E supporting Line 24 of the Detailed Summary Page. Please be advised that independent expenditures disclosed on 48 hour reports must also be itemized on a corresponding Schedule E or MEMO Schedule E and Schedule D (if applicable), in the appropriate reporting period. Further, if the actual payment(s) for the independent expenditure(s)

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occurs after the date of dissemination, the appropriate report(s) should continue to show payment on Schedule E and Schedule D, until the debt is fully extinguished. Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction. (11 CFR §104.4)

4. Schedule E of your report indicates that your committee may have failed to file one or more of the required 48 hour report(s) for independent expenditures (see attached). A political committee must file a 48 hour report with the Federal Election Commission as specified in 11 CFR §104.4(b), within 48 hours of any independent expenditures aggregating \$10,000 or more with respect to a given election, made any time during the calendar year up to and including the 20th day before an election. The report must be received by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. on the second day following the date on which independent expenditures that aggregate \$10,000 or more are publicly distributed or disseminated. These expenditures must then be fully itemized on Schedule E, or as memo entries on Schedule E and reflected on Schedule D if distributed or disseminated prior to payment, of the next report required to be filed by the committee. Although the Commission may take further action concerning this matter, your prompt response will be taken into consideration. (11 CFR §104.3(b))

5. Schedule E supporting Line 24 of your report discloses \$105,619.25 in activity identified as MEMO entries that do not appear to correspond with any itemized transaction(s). Please be advised, a memo entry is used to disclose additional information about an itemized transaction and the amount of a memo entry is not included in the total receipts or disbursements for the report. Please amend your report to provide clarifying information regarding this activity. (11 C.F.R. § 104.3(a) and (b))

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any

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questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1169.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin Fortkiewicz". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Kevin" and last name "Fortkiewicz" clearly distinguishable.

Kevin Fortkiewicz
Sr. Campaign Finance & Reviewing Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

**Impermissible, Excessive, and Prohibited Contributions
VIGOP (Virgin Islands Republican Party) (C00553560)**

Excessive Contributions from Individuals

Contributor Name	Date	Amount	Report
MR EDWARD H HAMM 334	2/26/16	\$800.00	2016 March Monthly
MR EDWARD H HAMM 334	3/14/16	\$900.00	2016 April Monthly
MR EDWARD H HAMM 334	4/21/16	\$900.00	2016 May Monthly
MR EDWARD H HAMM 334	4/22/16	\$900.00	2016 May Monthly
MR EDWARD H HAMM 334	5/31/16	\$900.00	2016 June Monthly
MR EDWARD H HAMM 334	6/13/16	\$800.00	2016 July Monthly
MR EDWARD H HAMM 334	6/14/16	\$900.00	2016 July Monthly
MR EDWARD H HAMM 334	7/14/16	\$800.00	2016 August Monthly
MR EDWARD H HAMM 334	7/18/16	\$800.00	2016 August Monthly
CAPT TATNALL LEA HILLMAN 816	7/1/16	\$1,000.00	2016 August Monthly
CAPT TATNALL LEA HILLMAN 816	7/13/16	\$5,000.00	2016 August Monthly
CAPT TATNALL LEA HILLMAN 816	7/18/16	\$1,000.00	2016 August Monthly
CAPT TATNALL LEA HILLMAN 816	7/29/16	\$500.00	2016 August Monthly

Missing Schedule E (48 Hour Report)**VIGOP (Virgin Islands Republican Party) (C00553560)**

Name of Payee	Dissemination Date	Amount	Candidate	Election
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	7/20/16	\$13,115.24	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016

Missing 48 Hour Report (Schedule E)
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Name of Payee	Dissemination Date	Amount	Candidate	Election
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	7/9/16	\$5,618.02	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	7/10/16	\$4,988.36	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	7/10/16	\$4,207.42	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	7/18/16	\$4,202.52	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	7/18/16	\$3,928.52	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	7/18/16	\$152.10	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	7/27/16	\$2,163.07	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	7/27/16	\$2,039.45	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	7/27/16	\$3,915.59	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DSSI	7/9/16	\$961.14	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DSSI	7/10/16	\$879.05	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DSSI	7/18/16	\$892.73	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DSSI	7/27/16	\$286.16	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
DSSI	7/27/16	\$598.27	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	7/18/16	\$2,701.62	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	7/27/16	\$2,701.62	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
LEGACY LIST MANAGEMENT INC	7/9/16	\$512.74	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
LEGACY LIST MANAGEMENT INC	7/10/16	\$46.34	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
LEGACY LIST MANAGEMENT INC	7/10/16	\$167.02	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016

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Name of Payee	Dissemination Date	Amount	Candidate	Election
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	7/9/16	\$3,417.06	HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	7/9/16	\$233.27	WILLIAM HURD	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	7/15/16	\$2,173.58	WILLIAM HURD	G2016
DIRECT SUPPORT SERVICES INC	7/10/16	\$2,236.62	WILLIAM HURD	G2016
DIRECT SUPPORT SERVICES INC	7/15/16	\$1,867.23	WILLIAM HURD	G2016
DSSI	7/9/16	\$39.91	WILLIAM HURD	G2016
DSSI	7/10/16	\$42.83	WILLIAM HURD	G2016
DSSI	7/15/16	\$338.90	WILLIAM HURD	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	7/9/16	\$141.88	WILLIAM HURD	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	7/10/16	\$213.69	WILLIAM HURD	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	7/15/16	\$1,200.36	WILLIAM HURD	G2016
LEGACY LIST MANAGEMENT INC	7/9/16	\$21.29	WILLIAM HURD	G2016
LEGACY LIST MANAGEMENT INC	7/10/16	\$64.09	WILLIAM HURD	G2016
LEGACY LIST MANAGEMENT INC	7/15/16	\$46.65	WILLIAM HURD	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	7/9/16	\$24.27	MIA LOVE	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	7/15/16	\$2,173.57	MIA LOVE	G2016
DIRECT SUPPORT SERVICES INC	7/10/16	\$2,236.61	MIA LOVE	G2016
DIRECT SUPPORT SERVICES INC	7/15/16	\$1,867.22	MIA LOVE	G2016
DSSI	7/9/16	\$4.15	MIA LOVE	G2016
DSSI	7/10/16	\$42.83	MIA LOVE	G2016
DSSI	7/15/16	\$338.89	MIA LOVE	G2016

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FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	7/9/16	\$14.76	MIA LOVE	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	7/10/16	\$213.69	MIA LOVE	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	7/15/16	\$1,200.36	MIA LOVE	G2016
LEGACY LIST MANAGEMENT INC	7/9/16	\$2.22	MIA LOVE	G2016
LEGACY LIST MANAGEMENT INC	7/10/16	\$64.09	MIA LOVE	G2016
LEGACY LIST MANAGEMENT INC	7/15/16	\$46.65	MIA LOVE	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	7/9/16	\$45.00	TIMOTHY E SCOTT	G2016
CONSOLIDATED MAILING SERVICES	7/15/16	\$2,173.58	TIMOTHY E SCOTT	G2016
DIRECT SUPPORT SERVICES INC	7/10/16	\$2,236.62	TIMOTHY E SCOTT	G2016
DIRECT SUPPORT SERVICES INC	7/15/16	\$1,867.23	TIMOTHY E SCOTT	G2016
DSSI	7/9/16	\$7.70	TIMOTHY E SCOTT	G2016
DSSI	7/10/16	\$42.83	TIMOTHY E SCOTT	G2016
DSSI	7/15/16	\$338.89	TIMOTHY E SCOTT	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	7/9/16	\$27.37	TIMOTHY E SCOTT	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	7/10/16	\$213.69	TIMOTHY E SCOTT	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	7/10/16	\$2,704.77	TIMOTHY E SCOTT	G2016
FORTH RIGHT STRATEGY INC	7/15/16	\$1,200.36	TIMOTHY E SCOTT	G2016
LEGACY LIST MANAGEMENT INC	7/9/16	\$4.11	TIMOTHY E SCOTT	G2016
LEGACY LIST MANAGEMENT INC	7/10/16	\$64.10	TIMOTHY E SCOTT	G2016
LEGACY LIST MANAGEMENT INC	7/15/16	\$46.65	TIMOTHY E SCOTT	G2016